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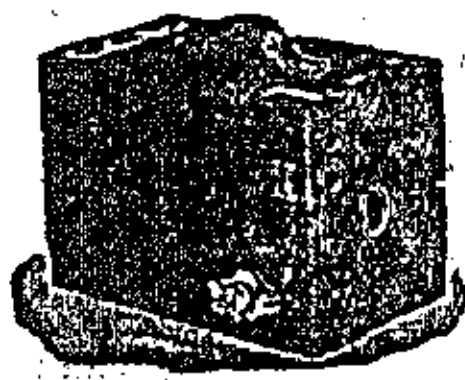
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The Daily Press.
 HONGKONG, JUNE 24TH, 1905.

As great events may from little causes spring, we make no excuse for referring to the case of a humble Chinese workman, which seems to us to involve serious questions of principle. We refer to the prosecution, or persecution, of a Chinese pressman in the employ of the *Daily Press* office who has this week been fined \$50 with the alternative of two months' imprisonment for leaving his previous employment without proper notice. It is easy to conceive of circumstances under which the imposition of such a penalty would be fully justified, but in the present case we think the man was unjustly treated from beginning to end, and we sincerely hope the case may be an isolated rather than a typical one. The man was in the first place arrested without a vestige of legal sanction, and by what we at present regard as a most improper subterfuge. A Chinese detective sergeant of police entered our office without permission, found his man, and asked the manager if the man might accompany him to the police station "to answer some inquiries." Permission was, of course, readily given and the man went away with the police officer, not suspecting for a moment that he was being arrested. There was to our knowledge no mention of arrest or apprehension. As he was absent much longer than seemed necessary, inquiry was made by telephone and the information was elicited that the man was detained in custody on a charge of leaving his previous employment without proper notice. Though, as the reader is aware, to leave employment without notice

is a criminal charge in Hongkong, yet the arrest of the man in this way was an outrage not sanctioned by the law of 1902 relating to Employers and Servants under which this charge was brought. Section 13 reads:—

"If it be made to appear to a magistrate that there is good ground for believing that any party against whom a complaint has been made under this Ordinance, has absconded or is about to abscond, such magistrate may issue a warrant to apprehend such party and detain him in custody until the hearing of such complaint, unless such party shall give security to the satisfaction of such magistrate for his appearance to answer such complaint."

In the present case there was no "good ground" for believing that the man against whom complaint was made was about to abscond—there was not the slightest reason to fear it for a moment, and we understand that no warrant was issued for his arrest and detention. He was taken into custody in flagrant disregard of the plain provisions of the statute. This, to begin with, suggests a question of grave principle, and we fancy that most Englishmen who realise the importance of the liberty of the subject, the birth-right of every British subject, will share our uneasiness until some official enquiry results in the admission and censure of the irregularity, or throws upon it some extenuatory light. There was another informality, at the trial, when a person, not the prosecutor, and not a solicitor, was permitted to address the Bench in application for a severe penalty.

As to the trial itself it is impossible to regard it as satisfactory, and we feel sure that had the man's defence been properly put before the magistrate, his Worship would have taken a far more lenient view of the case than he did. The prisoner was, of course, asked to plead whether he was "guilty" or "not guilty"; and he pleaded that he had given twenty days' notice; but it was not the full month's notice demanded by the law the plea was taken as one of "guilty" and that ended the prisoner's part in the proceedings. The prosecutor, an Englishman, then told the Court his story in a language very imperfectly understood by the prisoner; and as it does not appear to have been the business of the Court interpreter to tell the prisoner what was being alleged against him by an English witness, there was no cross-examination and no further opportunity for the prisoner to say anything in extenuation of his offence or in mitigation of the penalty. Had he been wealthy enough to have engaged a solicitor to assist him in presenting a defence, the Magistrate's decision would in all probability have been very different from what it was, for, according to the man's own story, which he claims could be supported by evidence, he would seem to have a fairly strong defence, and had it been placed before the Court, we can hardly conceive that the maximum fine of \$50 would have been imposed on a man earning \$22 a month. In default of paying such a (to him) large sum, the defendant who, at the worst, was guilty of only a technical breach of the Ordinance, has to endure for two months the treatment of a reformatory.

It may, of course, be retorted that if injustice has been done a re-hearing would doubtless be allowed. We certainly regarded it as a case for a re-hearing; but of what use is a re-hearing to an uneducated Chinaman, unless he has the assistance of a solicitor? To a man who earns but \$22 a month, the valuable and indispensable assistance of a solicitor is as unattainable as the moon; and so he goes his way, smarting under a penalty which would probably have been reduced to more just proportions had he been able to have his case properly presented. That conclusion is irresistible, and it is one which carries with it the conclusion that a man in the dock is liable to suffer as much for his ignorance and poverty as for his crime. As employers of Chinese labour, we are the least likely to encourage Chinese servants to breaches of an Ordinance designed to protect employers; but no considerations of self-interest can shut our eyes to apparent injustice. This poor Chinaman was informally arrested, in contravention of the Ordinance; and, irrespective of the whole circumstances and merits of his particular case, was punished to the maximum extent "as a warning." We appreciate the value of any suitable case being used as example, but British law is meant to punish delinquents, not to penalise scapegoats.

The rain seems to have stopped the plague. There was another blank return yesterday.

The Philippine Government is advertising for bids for railway concessions, open only to American subjects or companies. Bids are to be accepted until November 1st.

The "pure" Norwegian flag (minus the mark of the now repudiated Union with Sweden) was hoisted and saluted throughout the country on the 19th instant.

The H.V.R.A. Competition for the Governor's Cup for June will be continued at the King's Park (530 yards) Range to-day. A "jet" will also be shot for.

When Captain Jackson of the s.s. *Laertes*, which arrived in port yesterday, left Saigon, there were 20 colliers and two volunteer vessels in the harbour. At Cape St. James he saw a converted cruiser with three funnels and two masts.

The remand case in which eleven Malay sailors refused duty on the s.s. *Indra* came on for hearing before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court yesterday. As the men were still emphatic in their refusal to begin work, His Worship sentenced them to one month's imprisonment with hard labour.

As riding to the *Sport Press Weekly*, No. 1 of which arrived yesterday, the Emperor of Korea sent a message of congratulation, on the naval victory, to the Japanese Emperor on the 30th May. Also: It is reported that Korean postage stamps and cards will no longer be used after the 30th of June, and that from that time Japanese ones will take their place.

By kind permission of Colonel W. G. B. Watson, C.B. and Officers, the Band of the Second Battalion "The Queen's Own" (Royal Wes Kent Regiment), will play the following programme of music during dinner, at the Hongkong Hotel, this (Saturday) evening, 1905.

Going to the band having a later engagement the band hours will be from 7.30 p.m. to 8.45 p.m. instead of the usual time.

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 Overture to "Mirella".....Gounod
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 Overture to "A Dervish Chase".....Sibelius
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ALLEGED MILK.

Tim Shung, milk vendor of Cockayne Street, was placed before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court yesterday on a charge of selling adulterated milk. Evidence proved that the milkman sold contain 4 more water than it should have done. On a previous occasion the defendant was fined \$5 for a similar offence, but as this did not act as a deterrent His Worship yesterday inflicted a fine of \$200.

SQUEEZE PLOIN.

At a catching coolie in the employ of the Sanitary Board was placed before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court yesterday on a charge of accepting or obtaining a bribe of \$1.00 from a shopkeeper at Shansui. Evidence showed that the shop of the complainant had been washed out the day before the coolie called; but the coolie informed the master that the Portuguese foreman said the shop was not properly cleaned, and he would have to take all his goods out and get it washed again. If the master would give the ratcatcher one or two dollars he would speak to the foreman and get the shop emptied. The master reported the matter to the Police, and Sergeant Gordon handed him a marked dollar, which he told him to give the coolie if he again called and asked for money. The coolie called on the following day, took the dollar and was leaving the shop when he was arrested by a detective.

The coolie informed His Worship that he was under the influence of samshui, and that when he got out of the shop he found the dollar had been placed in his pocket without his knowledge.

His Worship held the charge proved, and fined the defendant \$50, or the alternative of six weeks' hard labour.

EXTENDING SHANGHAI.

CHINESE REFUSE GOOD ROADS.

In a lecture at Shanghai, a report of which we have to-day adapted from our northern contemporary, Dr. Arthur Smith suggests that one day Shanghai may be the London of Asia. Words to that effect. Its city fathers are already finding the need of more elbow-room. There is a pretty rural resort popularly spoken of as the Hills, to which at present access is had by canal, the native roads being so bad. Shanghai proposes to make a good road thence, but the Chinese, ignoring the fact that they also would benefit, as a good road to the Hills means a good road to Shanghai, are stupidly opposing the work.

The people of Tsingpu (or Chingpu, as the biologists spell it), a place to the west of the Model Settlement, do not seem to regard good communications as a blessing; and their (very) evil communications have corrupted their good manners. "A good deal of excitement and hostile feeling" is reported as a result of the surveyors' visit. They have petitioned the Shanghai Taotai, who has apparently reported to Viceroy Chou Fu of Nanking, who has in turn told the Waiwayu, who are expected to demand of the British and American Ministers at Peking that "all further encroachments" be stopped. And still the missionaries tell us that a wonderful change is coming over China! This objection to good roads smacks of the same old China.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR STORES INVESTIGATION.

LONDON, 21st June.

Mr. Balfour is appointing a Royal Commission to continue the Stores scandal investigation and the opposition has given notice of a motion for a vote of censure on the Government in this connection.

Mr. Balfour could hardly "appoint" the Commission, not being King.

PRINCE ARISUGAWA'S VISIT TO ENGLAND.

LONDON, 21st June.

The importance of the approaching visit of Prince Arisugawa is fully recognised, and every honour due to the exalted representative of our ally will be paid. Admiral Neville and General Nicholson will be specially attached to His Highness, who will be lodged in York House. The Prince will be entertained at lunch by the Lord Mayor and the Corporation of London at the Guildhall, and various royal and other fêtes will be arranged.

"RIALTO" GOSSIP.

"Money was never tighter" at Hongkong, said a broker to a *Daily Press* reporter yesterday. "Shares that under normal conditions should now be attracting buyers are stagnant, because there is no money loose to play with."

No. It is not European, but Chinese. Few people realise how hard hit they have been, how many failures and private arrangements there have been; and it is not over yet.

Togo's famous victory should have sent exchange down with a run, and that it didn't may be taken as some sign of the truth of what I tell you. Prospects generally are excellent; but until the local stringency in China-town is eased, there will be little doing for us."

EXTRADITION OF ARMED ROBBERS WANTED.

Before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court yesterday afternoon, Mr. Hursthouse (of the Crown Solicitor's office) on behalf of the Chinese Government applied for the extradition of Lau Pun on the charge that while armed with offensive weapons, and in the company of other persons not in custody, he feloniously did assault and put in bodily fear and danger of his life, one Lui Kwong, and further feloniously did steal \$50 in money, one clock and a certain quantity of clothing from the said Lui Kwong on January last in the province of Kwangtung, Empire of China.

In outlining the case, Mr. Hursthouse stated that the charge was armed robbery. The prisoner in January of this year, in company of a large gang of robbers, went to the country house of Lui Kwong about eleven o'clock at night. The men were armed with knives and revolvers, and threatened the complainant if he did not declare where his money was. He endeavored to put them off, but they searched the house, and in one of the drawers which usually overhang a Chinese bed they found and appropriated a sum of \$50. They then ransacked other parts, and found a quantity of clothing. As their efforts to extort money had proved unavailing, they took a different stand, and asked complainant what had become of his son. He at first refused to tell them, but their threats eventually made him take them to the school house where his son and another boy were sleeping. They took the son up country where they held him to ransom, first demanding \$5,000, then \$3,000, and eventually handing him over for a sum of \$720.

Evidence was led and the case adjourned.

JAPANESE RED TAPE.

In the issue of the *Hongkong Daily Press* for May 31st there are two telegrams which were dispatched from Kobe on May 29th and thus took something like twenty-four hours to travel from Kobe to Hongkong, apparently having been purposely delayed in order that the report sent by the Japanese Government to the Consulate should arrive first. The news in the telegrams was merely a forecast of the official intelligence and, appearing side by side with the official dispatch, were to all intents and purposes exactly what right the Consul or anybody else had to delay these messages. There was nothing whatever in them to which the most experienced Consul could have reasonably objected, and it is manifestly unfair to the journals who are serving the public interests by paying large sums in cable fees and to those who hand in the messages that their time and money should thus be wasted. If a telegram is of such a nature that it cannot be dispatched the sender should be informed, and if it is "publishable" it should be forwarded without delay.—*Japan Chronicle*.

WORTH KNOWING.

In the "Journal of Tropical Medicine" there is a communication by Dr. William Hartigan in which the use of cyclin in sprue is highly recommended. It is given in three-minim doses in the form of palatinoids, with the most satisfactory result. The great advantage of giving cyclin is said to be that it enables the patient to resume an ordinary, though restricted, diet much sooner than when treatment by diet alone is adopted.

A MINT AT CHUNGKING.

A dispatch from Chungking, Su, states that the well-known Taotai Tsai Naihuang, Director of the Chungking Arsenal, has lately arrived at Chungking to start a Government Mint in that city. The new mint, quotes the *N.Y. Daily News*, will not only be able to turn out silver coins of various denominations, but also ten and five-cent copper pieces, these last being especially needed in Szechuan province, owing to the lack of the ordinary copper cash.

THE WAR.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE WAR IN MANCHURIA.

LONDON, 21st June.

The Tokyo correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* wires that the Japanese are continuing a victorious advance and that the Russians are completely outflanked on both wings. Joyful news is shortly expected.

Reuter's expression, "joyful news," seems like a breach of Reuter's neutrality.

"OH, HOW THE LODGERS YELL."

CHAMBERS OF FRENCH BOARDERS.

DISTURB POLICE.

Madame Guion of the Pension Française in Pottinger Street, was charged with unlawfully during sunset and sunrise between the 18th and 19th instant making or causing to be made a noise in her house calculated to disturb the peace and quietude of the neighbourhood.

Mr. M. J. D. Stephens appeared for the defendant, and stated that although the charge was made on the 18th or 19th instant, the summons was not served until the 22nd instant, so that his client knew nothing about the complaint until three or four days had elapsed. They pleaded not guilty.

His Worship—I will find out why the summons was not served at once.

Sergeant Evans deposed—On the 19th instant I was returning up Pottinger Street from duty. I heard a disturbance in No. 49, the boarding house of which defendant is the proprietress. I rapped at the door and cautioned the inmates, and on returning from the Station they were still creating a disturbance by shouting. I saw the defendant and told her to keep her house quiet.

In cross-examination—When I passed the house the windows were open, and the inmates were shouting. It was such a noise that I could hear it at Hollywood Road. I did not use strong language to defendant. I did not tell her to "shut up her box." When I told defendant to stop the disturbance she said something I could not understand.

Chief Detective Inspector Hanson stated—I know the defendant as Madame Guion, proprietress of the Pension Française boarding house. On the 19th instant I was asleep in my quarters, which are on the other side of the street, when I was awakened by considerable noise. I cannot swear where it came from.

Sergeant Garrod said—I was sitting on the verandah of my quarters on the opposite side of the street when the disturbance occurred. The inmates were very noisy, and were singing snatches of songs. The noise began from the time they had dinner, and continued until 1.30 a.m. I think the song they were trying to sing was what they call "shut up her box."

In cross-examination—No complaints were made by neighbours to the police. The distance across the street is about 25 feet. They were making that much noise that they kept my children awake. I do not know that the police are rather down on the defendant. The inmates were making enough noise to feel happy. They were not quarrelling.

For the defence Mr. Stephens called G. Coulson, who said—I am a marine engineer residing at Morrison Road. On the 18th inst. I had supper at defendant's house. The windows were open, and the shutters closed. There were six people at table. There was no singing, shouting or screaming. Three gentlemen were sleeping upstairs, and said they had not been disturbed.

Mr. Stephens, addressing His Worship, said—On the night in question the defendant had a few friends to dinner including a captain of the French army who had just arrived from Hainan. They were at supper when a lakong opened the window and said something in a rude way which the defendant objected to. She told him to close the window but he refused. Then an English constable came to the window; the guest walked out, and the constable took him by the arm to the station. The Police were very severe, and the officer made a formal complaint to his consul about his treatment. He (Mr. Stephens) maintained that the tranquillity of the neighbourhood had not been disturbed. It was merely the police, who might have warned the defendant before taking such a stand against her. She was leaving the house, as she found the police gave her so much trouble by espionage that she could not remain there any longer. At the present day you surely do not want to make Hongkong like Norman England, with the ringing of the Curfew bell. If the police were to go round town they might find many houses lighted after midnight and with the windows open.

Sergeant Garrod, recalled—There has been no noise in the house since the issue of the summons.

His Worship—The evidence is very clear and I order the defendant to pay a fine of \$5, also to enter into a personal bond in the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for the next twelve months.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 23rd at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has risen over China and Luzon.

Pressure is above the normal over China generally, and is highest in the North. It appears to be relatively low over Hongkong and the N.W. part of the China Sea. Gradients are moderate to slight and fresh or moderate N.E. to S.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and along the northern shores of the China Sea.

Forecast—Fresh or moderate E. winds squally, rainy.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, 23rd June.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. F. T. FLOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

QUESTION OF OWNERSHIP.

The hearing of the following issue, which first came before the Chief Justice on the 16th instant, was continued:—

"Whether either of them, the said Lam Tung and the Nam Loong firm, and if so, which is or are entitled to a sum of \$2,600 obtained by the defendant, F. J. Badley, from the plaintiff's agent Chow Kwan and deposited by the said F. J. Badley in Court, and being moneys the subject matter of this action."

The parties in the case were as follows:—

Lam Tung, plaintiff; F. J. Badley (Captain Superintendent of Police), defendant; and the Nam Loong firm, of Saigon, claimants. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Dixon (Mr. John Hastings's office), appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. H. N. Ferrers, instructed by Mr. J. Hay (Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master), for the claimants.

Mr. Pollock having closed the case for the plaintiff, Mr. Ferrers, previous to calling witnesses on behalf of the claimants, addressed the Court. His line of argument was that the plaintiff's story, on the face of it, was very improbable. The latter, described as a travelling trader and cook, had met Chow Kwan, the man who was arrested at Hongkong, on the ground that he had taken moneys from Saigon the property of the claimants (Nam Loong firm), on board the s.s. *Kinsan*, where he shared the plaintiff's bunk. A document, copy of a judgment of the Court of Indo-China, was produced to prove the guilt of Chow Kwan. To meet the plaintiff's statement that he, Lam Tung, had asked Chow Kwan, during rough weather at sea, to look after a packet of \$2,600 which had been entrusted to the plaintiff as a bailee, money found on Chow Kwan when he was arrested at Hongkong, Mr. Ferrers suggested that this story was invented primarily to obtain the release of Chow Kwan by his friend Lam Tung, and, being successful in this, they were now endeavouring to obtain the money.

The case was adjourned, it now remaining for Mr. Ferrers to close his case for the claimants, and Mr. Pollock, in conclusion, to again address the Court for the plaintiff.

"FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION" AT MANILA.

The committee arranging for next month's celebration at Manila desire us to call the attention of the Americans resident in the colony, is being done. They send the following information:—Manila's Fourth of July celebration this year will be a cosmopolitan one. British, French, German, Spanish, Chinese and Filipinos are all represented among the organizers. And the scheme of commemorating the advent of American independence promises one of the most brilliant spectacles ever witnessed in the Orient. In addition to the time honoured parade and orations, shooting of crackers, etc., a mammoth stock of fireworks has been procured from the United States for the night show on the Luneta. The entire city will be gay with decorations and lighting by day and countless pretty lamps by night. Mr. E. T. Laffin of the new street car line is providing the electrical energy for these illuminations free of charge. Gibbs, an aeronaut who has already made some wonderful ascents in the Philippines, has been engaged to soar through the clouds in the largest balloon that has ever left earth east of Suez or west of the Pacific slope. When the balloon is out of sight he will leave it and descend in a parachute. Many other novelties are included in the arrangements. It will be a fine opportunity of seeing the American military, navy, marine and insular forces at their best and the presence of Admiral Enquet and the officers of the three Russian warships which lie at anchor within the breakwater of the harbour, will enhance the imposing array of land and sea fighters. Mr. Herbert D. Gale, secretary of the organization, extends a cordial invitation to Americans and others who desire to join in the fêtes. The steamship companies offer special facilities for travelling, and once in Manila the visitors will find themselves hospitably entertained.

Mr. John Macleod represents the British merchants on the general committee, and the British managers of the various steamboat companies and of the Manila and Dagupan railway are lending hearty assistance towards the complete success of the holiday scheme of jubilation. The secretary of the general committee in charge of the arrangements, Mr. Herbert D. Gale, extends a cordial invitation to Americans and others in the colony to go to Manila and make merry with the hundreds of thousands who will join in the fêtes on the anniversary of American independence. The steamship companies offer special facilities to witness the celebration, and elaborate arrangements have been made to accommodate the large influx of visitors expected.

Among the numerous signs of vitality in the Church of England at the present day not the least significant is the development of strength and individuality of character among those filling high positions in her hierarchy. Half a century ago the main qualification for ecclesiastical promotion almost seemed to be a blameless mediocrity. But lately it may be doubted whether any profession has displayed more remarkable or more varied instances of individuality of character.—*Nation*, New York.

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Hongkong, 13th January, 1905.

* It is customary in China for a woman to live in her deceased husband's family.

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